

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, April 14, 2011

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Fiscal Officer Mary Rodenbucher read the minutes from the previous meeting. Sue corrected her statement that she did not go to the ball field for the pep rally but that she called Roger to get information about it. Mike moved to accept the previous minutes as amended. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, J. Zuccaro, P. Cernava, G. Klag, L. Klodt

Old Business

Roger introduced Jim Zuccaro from OTARMA. Jim explained the coverage and pricing for the RFD. OTARMA does not have an aggregate limit. They do not make changes to the policy mid-term, but would add the cost for property coverage from May 1 to September 9, 2011, which is our renewal. The cost would be \$1,920 until the renewal in September. The premium at renewal would be \$6,694. Roger asked about insuring younger drivers on the department. Jim stated that OTARMA does not want to tell the township or FD how run their department. Roger stated that we have a driver training program within the department. Jim spoke about the resource library. Mike asked who the underwriter is. Jim stated OTA. Mike reiterated the aggregate issue. Jim further explained the aggregate limit which is a three (3) million dollars aggregate per claim with no limit on the number of claims. Mike spoke about the value of the vehicles and not insuring them for more than the purchase price. There was discussion about the value of the vehicles. Jim can provide the fire chief references. OTARMA patterned their policy after VFIS. There was discussion about the various provisions. George asked about personal liability in the case of someone who sues for treatment of a patient. Jim explained that insured covered members include the board, employees, and volunteers. Mike asked for a definition of a member. Jim stated that whoever is on the roster is considered a member. The trustees will review the information and make a decision at the next meeting.

Mike reported on the progress of the storage building. Work is continuing on the completion of the interior. No occupancy permit can be obtained until the interior is complete. There was discussion as to what to do with the other buildings. Discussion and investigation into these matters will continue at a future meeting. Specs for the cement pad for the fuel building were given to Larry Mudd for an estimate.

Sue was asked about the ditches in Olde Mill Run. Larry explained the concerns of the residents. Sue received a call regarding the flooding of a septic system on Alexander Road and asked if there is anything we can do. Larry stated since it is not flooding the road or ditch there is nothing we can do. Roger asked for a recommendation on whom to contact. Sue asked Dan about post office parking lot. Dan stated that Len took his tractor to try and level it, but it was frozen. He will check on it again. Mike thinks it is good for us to intervene but it is the responsibility of the property owner and postal office. Dan stated he can call Adelman's for gravel and have Len spread it. Paul contacted the regional post master in Cleveland to check if it should be paved. He is waiting for a reply. Sue's concern is that it will close. Sue asked about the ball field issue. Mike had Dan contact their attorney for specifics. Mike stated that it has come down to a usage issue. Mike feels it would be good for all trustees to be present at the mediation. Sue stated the lights were the first issue and it was taken care of. Sue tried hard to the resolve issue and we cannot make everyone happy. Sue feels it should go until 10:30 p.m. at least three nights a week and definitely for the tournaments. Sue recommends that certified letters be sent for any future endeavors. Sue stated that the lighting is not an issue and now it is usage. Sue went to all the neighbors and asked specifically about the baseball lights. Not one person had a negative comment. One specific neighbor contacted the Lion's Club and likes the lights. We've done everything we can do. It is only one ball field. Sue received a call about dumpster dumping. The man stated that he had permission from the township which is not true. Dan asked about a special meeting for mediation. Mike stated he wants to resolve this ASAP. If it takes a special meeting that is fine. Larry gave his thoughts on light use. Mike stated that our job is to represent all the people.

Roger spoke about the concern for light bulbs with mercury. He stated that Lowe's has a special container. He recommends that people dispose of their light bulbs at stores that provide the special receptacles.

New Business

Mike and Roger have nothing at this time.

Sue questioned the survey of lots. Sue asked if we should have a surveyor survey lots. Mike stated that a title search should resolve any questions. George stated that the title gives a legal description of the property. Sue explained her issue that the homeowner may think they know where the pins are but the builder does not survey it for accuracy. Sue stated maybe we should require a surveyor to lay pins. There was discussion about the requirements of survey. Stakes are difficult to locate at times. Sue thinks we could eliminate problems with a survey. Mike suggested that Dan ask those requesting a permit if the property was surveyed.

Sue received information on the Beverly Sanctuary. Sue asked Dan to place it on the website. Sue spoke about a resident who received a check for \$1,900 for gas well leasing. If they cashed it it would automatically lease their property. She cautioned residents to be careful if they receive checks for something they did not sign. Sue received a question about sidewalks. Mike stated that with the budget crunch it will need to be reviewed. Roger stated that the sidewalks are actually the responsibility of the property owner. Sue went to Portage Planning and reported that Ravenna and Kent cities were added to the program. Sue spoke about the playground equipment. There is about \$7,000 of donated funds – not taxpayer money.

Mary read a thank you note from the Royer family. Mary reported that she received paperwork for next round of OPWC projects which is due June 3. There was discussion about which road we should apply for. Mary stated that the Local Government Conference was very informative. She presented the trustees with information regarding the phasing out of the Tangible Personal Property tax. These reductions will affect the budget and she offered some options to save money. If the trustees keep a calendar of work done in each department then that department could pay part of their salary. Also Mary suggested that unless an employee actually works 40 hours (with no time off for vacation, holiday or sick time) they would not be entitled to overtime pay. Mary stated that it is time for our property risk management review. She will inform the trustees when the review is scheduled. Mary stated that we received a liquor license transfer for the County Line and Grill. Mike moved to approve the transfer. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary placed the March bank reconciliation in the trustee's mail boxes. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to approve the March bank reconciliation. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion submit an amendment for appropriations due to changes from the auditor's office. Sue so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 63 – 75 totaling \$20,190.30 and pay warrants 32186 – 32228, EFTs 936 – 943, and voucher 10 totaling \$90,805.15. Roger so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the road report. Larry presented quotes for the road mower tires. The cost for the Michelin tires would be \$1,296 each plus \$70 per hour for installation. Larry estimated \$3,000 would cover the cost. Mike so moved. Roger seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry reported that all of stop signs have been replaced and strips placed on the posts. Larry reported on closing the septic tank at the Randolph School Park as it was a possible safety hazard. Larry reported on driveway culvert replacements and department and cemetery repairs and maintenance.

Dan presented the zoning report. Two permits were issued. Dan presented an estimate from Portage Awning Company to repair the Community Center awnings which were damaged by the ice this winter. Mike moved to repair the awning for \$800. Sue seconded. Discussion: Roger feels it is a reasonable estimate. Portage Awning does a lot for the township. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Public Comment

Paul asked about residential property being used by the township. Larry explained the OPWC requirements. Paul would like an explanation of how and what is grandfathered for Shondrick's Trucking in regards to the zoning regulations. Sue asked if it can be seen from the road. She suggested that he file a complaint with the zoning inspector. Paul will fill out the proper forms. There was discussion about grandfathered properties paperwork. Dan will look into it. George stated that zoning was enacted in 1968.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

